already anticipated by their imaginations. Then there are moments as In the lives of the great maritime discoverers—knowledge.presentiment, and power raise each other higher and higher, until a new shore first dawns upon the eye in the far distance. But now the stern man recognises more and more how Important It Is that the individual task of the Inquirer should be limited as far as possible, so that It may be entirely accomplished and the Intolerable waste of force from which earlier periods of science suffered may be avoided. In those days everything was done ten times over, and then the eleventh always had the last and best word. Yet the more the savant learns and practises this art of solving riddles in their entirety, the more pleasure he finds In so doing. But at the same time his demands upon what is here called "entirety" grow more exacting. He sets aside everything that must remain In this sense Incomplete, he acquires a disgust and an acute scent for the half-soluble—for all that can only give a kind of certainty In a general and indefinite form. His youthful plans crumble away before his eyes. There remains scarcely anything but a few little knots, in untying which the master now takes his pleasure and shows his strength. Then, in the midst of all this useful, restless activity, he, now grown old, Is suddenly then often overcome by a deep misgiving, a sort of torment of conscience. He looks upon himself as one changed, as if he were diminished, humbled, transformed Into a dexterous *dwarf* | he grows anxious as to whether mastery in small matters be not a convenience, an escape from the